

House Resolution No. 1731

Whereas, it is with great pride and sincere admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives honor treasured residents of the Show-Me State who have experienced the joys and blessings of a prosperous marriage; and

Whereas, sixty years ago on March 26, 1947, Richard Branstetter took the hand of his beautiful bride, Erma Nelson, as they began their commitment to a lifetime of shared love and devotion by exchanging wedding vows during a solemn ceremony; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Richard and Erma Branstetter have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include four children and their spouses, Tom and Kathy Branstetter, Becky and Raymond Carroll, Trudy and Bill Shaw, and Carol Logan; eleven grandchildren; and twelve great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Richard Branstetter is known as a dedicated family man who generously provided his loved ones with a comfortable home and secure future through his successful endeavors at Dundee Cement in Clarksville, from which he retired in 1985; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and outstanding homemaker, Erma Branstetter offered her children boundless emotional support, guidance, and understanding which enhanced their lives in countless ways and enabled them to become responsible citizens with families of their own; and

Whereas, Richard and Erma Branstetter derive a tremendous amount of spiritual fulfillment through their affiliation with the First Christian Church, a place of worship that has special meaning to them as cherished members; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Branstetter, residents of Bowling Green, commemorated the glorious occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration hosted by their loved ones at Lakeside Resort near Louisiana:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Richard and Erma Branstetter for their tremendous success in achieving sixty years of wedded bliss and in wishing them many happy and rewarding years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Richard Branstetter, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by _____
Representative Terry L. Witte
District No. 10

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1731, adopted April 4, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker